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My dear Father Ewing:

It was kind of you to acknowledge [redacted]
lecture last week at Fordham; we are delighted you feel
the impression he left was a lasting and provocative one.
Although there is a restraint that must assuredly be
exercised in the public divulgence of intelligence activity,
some knowledge of what we do is peculiarly essential to
anyone who would understand the policy-making processes
of government. For if one is to examine the political
and military decisions of his government, he must at the
same time be informed of the tedious and sometimes intricate
intelligence processes that produce the facts on which
such judgment is premised. Certainly, one can not repose
trust in public policy, unless he is equally trustful of
the processes by which that policy is evolved. In
helping to clarify these processes we believe we better
fulfill our responsibilities to such citizens as you.

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Sincerely,

WILLIAM H. JACKSON
Deputy Director of
Central Intelligence

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